



Postcard: We are #1!

Waterford High School, California

**Topic:** Turning Around Chronically Low-Performing Schools

**Practice: Committed Staff** 

This is a picture postcard depicting Waterford High School's status as having the highest API score of 760 in a five-county region (Calaveras, Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Tuolumne) for the 2006-2007 school year. An important element in school culture is broadcasting successes and breakthroughs. In 2001, when Waterford High School opened, they had the lowest API in the same five-county region. For this picture, all students and staff formed a number 1 on the football field of the school. All staff and students received a copy of this postcard.

